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WELCOME to 2016



January 13-26, 2016 Taylor Hembree, Editor-in-Chief



About This Issue...

Welcome to 2016, Bobcats! This issue is all about the best of the past year and what we can all look forward to in the coming year. A lot is going to happen on campus and each section kind of highlights those events. Also, the paper has a change in feel for this semester. We are trying to be experts on the culture at Georgia College and therefore, we will be taking an

alternative route to bringing you the news every week. We want to seem more like an alternative news source. We will be highlighting investigative news stories, local music and art and also covering GC sports. If you are interested in coming to our pitch meetings, they are being held in The Colonnade office every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

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First day of class sucked.

My first class of the day was at 2 o'clock, giving me a false hope for the semester.

I love beer.

I just have to make it until May.

I would much rather be watching
"Making a Murderer."

I am not sure what that duck is for, but I love it.



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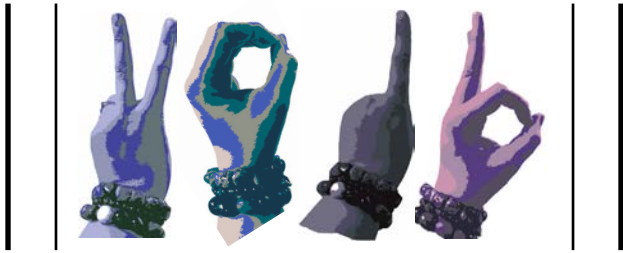
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Some rad events in



Global Events:

Olympics and Paralympics in Rio de Janero- August 5 to 21

Super Bowl- February 7

Leap Year- February 29

“Batman vs. Superman: Dawn of Justice” premiere - March 25

Juno Probe arrives at Jupiter- July

Presidential Elections- November 8

GC Events:

SGA Presidential Debate- February 2

GC’s Got Talent- February 3

Homecoming Concert- February 5

Tent City/Homecoming Parade/SGA Election Results- February 6

Theatre Department’s production of Chicago- February 24 to 28

Welcome from the News desk



Emma
Nortje

Hey bobcats. My name is Emma Nortje and I’m your new news editor for the Colonnade. You may have seen my name in the paper a couple of times over the past year as a writer or a photographer. Evidently my skills as a journalist were good enough to land me this awesome opportunity.

Just so you get a sense of the person behind the words, I’m a sophomore mass communications major and I love to write. I use to write fiction but eventually life became more real than anything I could come up with so now I settle for blogging about my thoughts, and talking to real people and writing their stories. So the paper is a good fit for me it seems. I also love to spend time outdoors, run, eat salty and preferably crunchy

food, listen to music literally all the time (Spotify is rarely not open on my phone or computer), and go on drives whenever life is driving (oh puns) me especially crazy.

I can’t wait to write more for you guys. Hopefully I’ll keep you informed and entertained (despite the fact that I do write news). And special shout out to the rest of the staff at the Colonnade. I can’t wait to work and get to know you guys.

THE NOISE

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THE TOTALLY INDISPUTABLE BEST SONGS OF 2015



Nick
Landon
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SOME OF THESE SONGS ARE EXPLICIT

After days of debate, The Colonnade is proud to announce our definitive list of the best songs of 2015, a playlist curated by yours truly- a bonafide music-nerd and new editor of the Arts and Entertainment section.

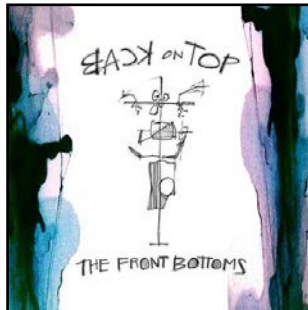
Granted, I see plenty of merit in the songs I've chosen with the help of the other staff members, remember that I chose these tracks because I like them and I want to share them with you guys. My choices here are based in opinion, as unbiased as I can make my opinion to be. I try to have an educated opinion most of the time, and this topic is no exception, but that doesn't make you wrong for disagreeing. At the end of the day, I hope maybe I can introduce a couple of people to a new band they'll really like, even if they might not enjoy the whole list.

Scan the QR code on the next page and it'll take you to a Spotify playlist with these songs and a few more we couldn't fit into this issue. If you hate this list, love this list, or want to tell us your own favorite songs from the past year, let us know on twitter, facebook, or gcsunade.com.



"Familiar" Donnie Trumpet and the Social Experiment

Hot off of one of the most impressive mixtapes in recent memory, young Chicago talent Chance The Rapper joined forces with some other gifted friends of his to form the Social Experiment. This isn't the most meaningful cut from the record, but it is probably the most fun to rap along to. The instrumentation across the collective's only album so far, "Surf," is bright and jazzy, and "Familiar" is full of the horn blasts and head-bobbing, smile-inducing beats that have come to characterize a Chance The Rapper project.



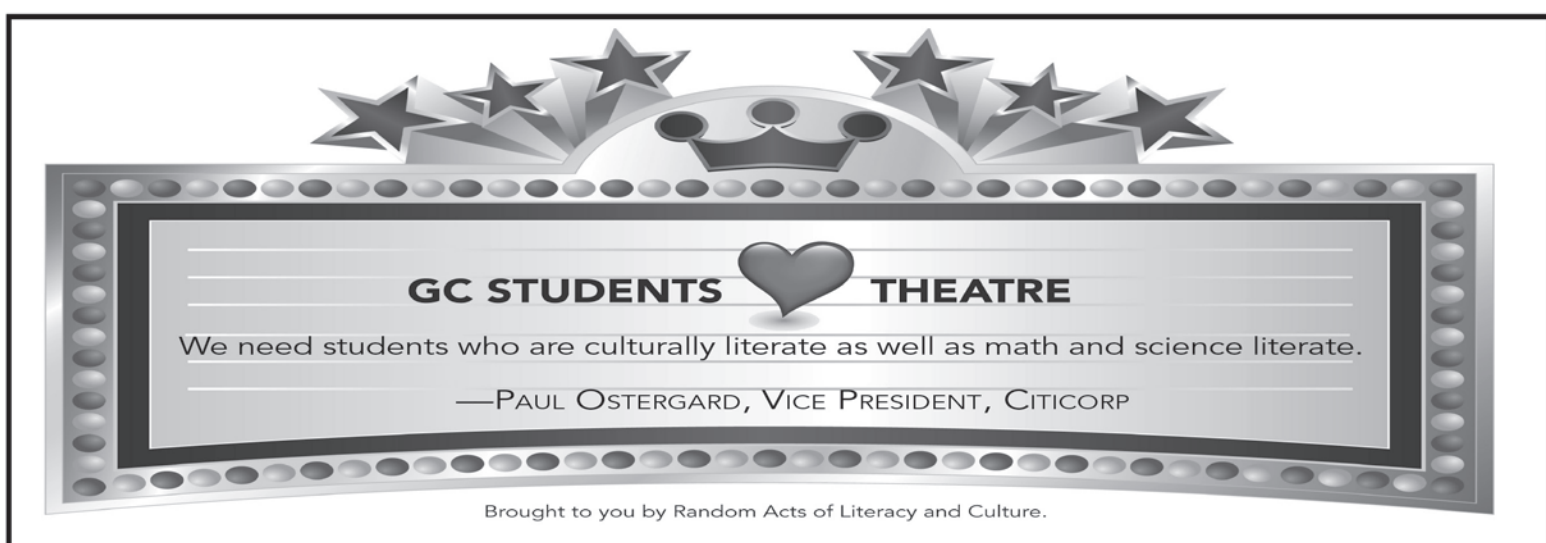
"West Virginia" The Front Bottoms

A quality release from one of my personal favorite bands, the Front Bottoms' most recent album "Back On Top" is full of gems from the folk-gone-punk New Jersey natives, but "West Virginia" stood out to be probably the best song on the album, and arguably one of the bands' best yet. The track is rich with the sort of story-telling you'd expect from an americana or country act, but all of the punch, angst, and vigor of a garage punk band. Not to mention, all of the songs on the album are practically made to be shouted at the top of your lungs, which is a fun exercise while driving, running at the gym, or waiting in line for your coffee at a crowded coffee shop.



"Smooth Sailin'" Leon Bridges

Cool guy Leon Bridges sings soulful R&B music. No, not like Usher R&B. I'm talking Sam Cooke, Otis Redding R&B. Your grandmother would love Leon Bridges, but, you also probably should love him, too. Bridges' debut album "Coming Home" sounds like it was made 50 years ago and locked in a chest, only to be released when the world needs it most. Bridges' is a beacon of hope for rhythm and blues music, taking the shape and sound of an artist much before his time, but somehow breathing new life into the genre. "Smooth Sailing" is a great track but it was almost impossible to pick just one song from this album- seriously, go check it out.





“Do You Wanna Get High?” Weezer

The years following the releases of their first two albums saw quite a few disappointing offerings, but their 2014 release “Everything Will Be Alright In The End” was a promising collection. “Do You Wanna Get High?” from an upcoming and currently untitled release, is even more promising. Weezer gets back to its guitar-driven, rowdy (but not too rowdy) rock roots and blasts a catchy, quirky song that doesn’t feel as unlike the Weezer tracks that earned them a lot of their fans as most of their recent work has. This song could almost have been on “Pinkerton.”



“Norf Norf” Vince Staples

During his tenure with the West Coast rap collective “Odd Future,” Vince Staples held his own as an alright rapper. Then, he made the “Stolen Youth LP” and gave us a glimpse of his abilities as a rapper. “Norf Norf” is a dark union between a sinister, detuned synth beat and Staples’ bounding flow and hyper-aware lyricism. In every song, you can’t help but get the feeling that he’s not just rapping to sound cool, he’s rapping to share a very real problem with the listeners. He raps about the violence he grew up in, but if you listen closely, you’ll find he’s not bragging, he’s confessing.



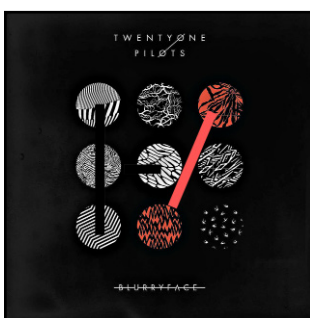
“Bored in the U.S.A.” Father John Misty

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“Gold Steps” Neck Deep

I’ve only recently revisited the pop-punk genre, and I don’t know why I ever thought I was too cool to enjoy a good ‘ole, upbeat power chording, skateboarding jam session. If you thought it had died, you were wrong- pop-punk is only just now entering its glory days- the age of refinement is still ahead for this genre, and Neck Deep’s “Life’s Not Out To Get You” is a spectacular album to get you back into the swing of it.



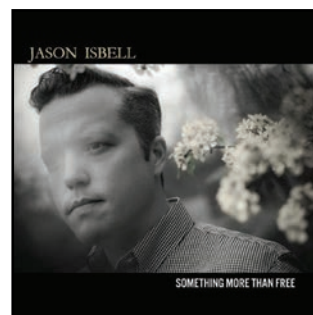
“Stressed Out” Twenty One Pilots

Twenty One Pilots most recent album, “Blurry Face” was sort of spotty for me, but it is not without its gems- one of which is the sour, coming-of-age song “Stressed Out.” The song stirs its string rythm with an eerie synth lick to bridge the bounding and energetic rap verses over into a pre-chorus, then into an anthemic chorus.



“Surface Envy” Sleater-Kinney

I’ve loved Sleater-Kinney for a little while now. Fronted by Carrie Brownstein of “Portlandia” fame, I initially thought the band would be a sort of parody band or something- but instead they make badass rock ‘n’ roll. This entire album is as killer as this track.



“Children of Children” Jason Isbell

You’ve probably heard of Chris Stapleton (who made our list of top 15 tracks of the year if you check out the QR code next to this text), but you might not know about one of country music’s other flag bearer, Jason Isbell. Now that he’s no longer touring as a member of the Drive-By Truckers, he’s making his own music, and it’s awfully personal- “Children of Children” is a prime example. If you want good ‘ole, sad, southern music, look no further.

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GREAT TRACKS
FROM 2015**



Angela Moryan, Editor

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Bobcat
basketball

WINTER BREAK



Sam
Jones
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The Georgia College women's basketball team (13-2, 5-1) continued their hellacious tear through the opening half of the schedule during the winter break.

The Bobcat women, led by the Peach Belt Conference's (PBC) fourth-leading scorer and rebounder, senior forward Kadesha Gibbs, went 5-1 over the academic break as the team began conference play.

In the first game, junior guard Veronica Ryan carried the Bobcats to their first conference win of the season, helping the Bobcats squeeze past the USC Aiken Pacers 56-54 with a 10-point fourth quarter performance.

The Bobcats snagged win number 10 in-a-row and their second PBC win a few nights later, flying past UNC Pembroke for a 63-51 victory. The victory marked the 600th win program history and the 250th win at the Centennial Center. Three Bobcats, Gibbs, senior forward McKenna Rushton, and junior guard LaRice Walker finished with double-digit scoring totals.

The 11th straight win came in the new year as the Bobcats outmatched North Georgia 66-58. Junior

guard Lindsey Reed finished with a team-high 12 points in the win after going 6-6 from the line.

Win number 12 wasn't nearly as simple for the Coach Maurice Smith's Bobcats.

The Bobcats were taken to the wire by Georgia Southwestern in a back and forth game that ended in overtime. Gibbs scored the first five points of overtime helping the Bobcats to sneak by the Hurricanes 62-60. Gibbs ended the night with a game high 23 points and six rebounds.

The 12-game streak broke a school record, in addition to pushing the program in to the national spotlight as the Bobcats were voted the #24 team in the country in the latest D2SIDA Media Poll.

The #24 ranked Bobcats flew past the Montevallo Falcons in their next appearance for the thirteenth win in a row, setting up a showdown a few nights later with #17 Columbus State.

The thirteenth win would prove unlucky for the Bobcats as the team struggled to find their footing against a powerful

Columbus State side that dominated most of the night. The Bobcats couldn't rally and dropped their first conference game of the season 62-52.

The streak may have ended but there was still a bright spot for the Bobcats as Gibbs was named PBC Player of the Week for the third time this season.

Gibbs and the Bobcats travel Clayton State on Jan. 13, followed by a home matchup with Armstrong State on the 16th.

The Bobcat men's basketball team (11-4, 4-2) continued their turnaround from a rough 2014-15 season.

The Bobcat's went 5-2 over the academic break, starting with a trip to



Courtesy of GC Athletics
LaRice Walker sets up a Bobcat play, helping the women's team maintain their 13-2 season record.

Atlanta to take on Morehouse. The Bobcats left with a 77-65 win, thanks to a 26-point effort from the PBC's leading overall scorer senior guard Terrell Harris.

A few nights later the Bobcats picked up their first conference victory of the season in a 65-55 win over USC Aiken, followed by a 77-74 win over UNC Pembroke to complete a perfect 4-0 December.

The perfect month launched the Bobcats to a #6 regional ranking in the D2SIDA Media Poll, their highest ranking in school history.

The new year however, began with bad news, as the Bobcats dropped their first conference game 78-67 to North Georgia. Two nights later Georgia College got back on track, picking up a 70-56 win over Georgia Southwestern.

Coach Mark Gainous' squad cruised past Montevallo 79-66 for their second straight win and, much like the women's team, set up a massive showdown the next contest with Columbus State.

In an extremely tight game from start to finish,

the Bobcats fell just short against #18 Columbus State. A Cougar layup with 17.7 seconds left put Columbus up one. A rumble below the basket out of the Georgia College timeout saw the Bobcats miss three contested attempts and gave the Cougars a big one point win.

The men's team will look to recover with a pair of games this week as they travel to Clayton State on Jan. 13, and welcome Armstrong State to town on Jan. 16.

Look ahead...

Lead basketball seniors set to finish strong.

Senior Day vs. Clayton State - Wed. Feb. 17

Terrell Harris and Kadesha Gibbs have dominated athlete of the week polls since the start of the season with their superior athletic performances throughout both winning seasons. Keep an eye on these two as they brace for the last two months of their college athletic career.

Will Milledgeville host another PBC Softball Tournament?

Bobcat Kickoff Tournament vs. Queens University- Sat. Jan. 30

Last year, the Peach Belt Conference (PBC) chose the Bobcat softball team's home field for their annual conference tournament. Softball is set to have another successful year with returning seniors and last season's stars Danielle Bernstein, Abi LeRoy and Kristen Brooks.

Don't forget about tennis:

First spring home match TBA

Though Centennial's blue and green courts are in use in both fall and spring semesters, tennis is in full swing beginning in February. The teams are often overshadowed by the more popular baseball and softball seasons, but a successful fall tournament showing bodes well for the high ranked teams.

Alabama wins it all

In the midst of the NFL post-season, college football reaches its climax in Arizona. The SEC's most hated favorite, Alabama, faced a surprising season leader, Clemson. The first half of the game proved to be entertaining football with a consistently close score, plenty of touchdown plays and even a Tide-forced interception. The second half remained steady, until an impressive run back by Alabama's kick returner Kenyon Drake putting his team up by 11, just out of Clemson's reach. Yet another national championship for the Nick Saban Crimson Tide.

We wrote this instead of calling our moms back.

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News

Hoverboards and gangland wars



world is a goal for the Rats as well random violence and intimidation towards those who oppose them, especially the Snakes.

In seeking an interview with the leader of the Snakes, I found that they do not formally have one. They are going for a more commune-style gang causing the formation of two main groups of riders to battle each other over land rights- the Razor Rats and the Sharper Image Snakes. At this time it is unclear who has the most turf. However, the Rats are winning in terms of cooler name, online presence, and overall aesthetic.

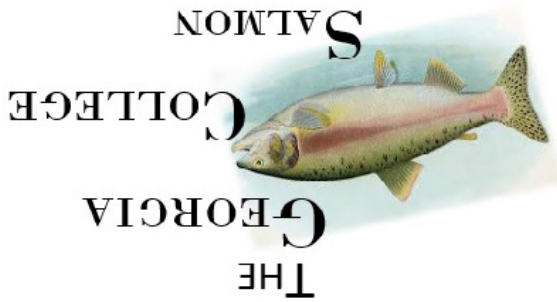
In an interview with the leader of the Razor Rats, Kyle, I had to go deep into the sewers of Milledgeville. I found him smoking a cigarette and whittling a knife out of a block of wood while other members were yelling at each other over a games of cards. "What are you doing to win more ground than the Snakes?" I asked. With blood shot eyes and a knife in each hand he responded "We roll harder, we roll faster, and we recycle."

It turns out having a more earth conscious Lauren.

A member of the Shaper Image Snakes spotted hovering about scaring people who do not use Hoverboards, or "walkies" as they call them.



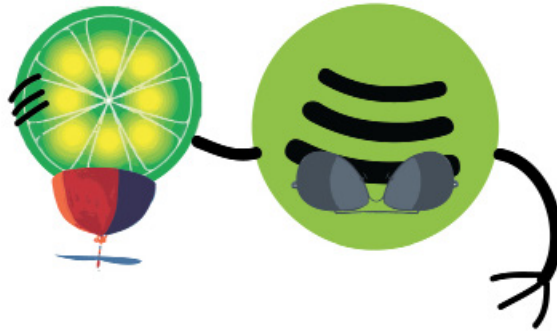
Clay Garland



Group of students motion for changing the GC mascot to the Georgia College Salmon

see *Salmon* page 97...

Spotify just Limerwire's cooler older brother



Top 5 New Year's Resolutions

1. Lose weight by using the treadmill.
2. Keep running don't stop.
3. If you stop running everything your father said about you was right.
4. DON'T STOP YOU FAT PIG.
5. Learn to bake.



Will Anderson

This holiday break I awaited in eagerness for one of the most anticipated sequels from the past decade of current films. "Alvin and The Chipmunks: The Road Chip". However due to an online mishap, my midnight screening tickets I pre-ordered back in October were instead for the cult phenomenon of "Star Wars". Begrudgingly I decided to attend the premiere, seeing how the last Star Wars films I saw, the prequels, were quite enjoyable. (Don't worry I was still wearing my classic Alvin paraphernalia to show those fanboys where my true passion was.) I would much rather watch those movies than listen to Darth Vader speak any line of dialogue. Has this guy ever heard of an inhaler? What a dingus.

Incidentally, "Star Wars: The Force Awakens" is more of a scary boo Barry Drew sort of variety. Coincidentally Mark Hamill of an opposite character to Harrison Ford plays much of an eye brow. Superman raise an eyebrow. Sue character troupe, with plays the classic Mary Ridley. She unfortunately unknown actresses Daisy cast come from a vastly of the biggest breakout performances from the new cast come from a vastly of the biggest breakout

Nevertheless don't be swayed by the outward aesthetic design. Kyo Ren at his core is a Hot topic wearing thirteen year old with a Jack Skewington an Invader Zim T-shirt and fingerless Blink-182 gloves who constantly has to remind his parents that he isn't just going through a phase.

One of the things I most admired about the production was its use of practical effects from sets to props and even puppets. How they were ever able to find such a life like

viewers began to cry even before his death, almost as if they were expecting it. Over all this new Star Wars film had some bright spots, but disappoints casual viewers. Hopefully the next film will be able to come up with more original ideas. I give Star Wars: A New Hope half an Alvin out of the Chipmunk trio.

official rating:



